

## Senate Resolution 108

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st, Heath of the 31st, Stephens of the 27th, Balfour of the 9th, Mullis of the 53rd and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the contributions of home education and declaring Thursday, February 10,  
2 2005, Home School Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the members of the Georgia Senate are dedicated to excellence in education;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, the members of this body recognize that parents hold the fundamental  
6 responsibility and right to ensure the best quality education for their children, and parental  
7 choice and involvement are crucial to excellence in education; and

8 WHEREAS, home education has been a major part of America's education system since the  
9 beginning of our nation and demonstrates the American ideals of liberty, innovation, and  
10 individual responsibility; and

11 WHEREAS, many American statesmen and leaders, including George Washington, Patrick  
12 Henry, John Quincy Adams, John Marshall, Robert E. Lee, Booker T. Washington, Thomas  
13 Edison, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Mark Twain, and Andrew  
14 Carnegie, were home schooled; and

15 WHEREAS, home schooled students continue to exhibit excellence in academic achievement  
16 and perform well above the national average on standardized achievement tests; and

17 WHEREAS, home educated students in Georgia have continually exhibited high standards  
18 of academic achievement and citizenship.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
20 recognize a parent's right to choose the best education for their children and that home  
21 education has proven to be a successful form of education and declare Thursday, February  
22 10, 2005, Home School Day at the Capitol.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Home Education  
3 Association.